

**REMARKS**

In an Office Action dated October 21, 2008, the Examiner indicated that claims 59-64, 66-76, 84-94, 97 and 98 are allowable. Independent claims 1, 14 and 50 have been amended to recite a narrow waist at the intersection of the trochlear groove portion and the intercondylar notch portion. Claim 78 has been amended to recite that the portion configured to overlies the intercondylar notch has a length that is at least approximately  $\frac{1}{4}$  length of the first portion, as recited on allow claim 84.

In light of the foregoing, Applicant believes that this application is in form for allowance. The Examiner is encouraged to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney if the Examiner believes that issues remain that would prevent the Examiner from examining the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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